

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 ALGIER 00455 271637Z

43

ACTION INT-08

INFO OCT-01 AF-10 ISO-00 NASA-04 SCI-06 DRC-01 RSC-01 /031 W

----- 054996

P 271541Z FEB 74

FM USINT ALGIERS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 0188

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE ALGIERS 0455

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: TGEN, EAID, AG

SUBJ: REIMBURSABLE TECHNICAL SERVICES: SATELLITE PHOTO
INTERPRETATION

REF: (A) STATE 174538, 8/31/73 (B) ALGIERS 2319, 10/31/73

(C) STATE 216910, 11/2/73

1. SUMMARY. GOA REQUESTS IMMEDIATE VISIT AT ITS EXPENSE BY
USGS OFFICIAL IN POSITION TO RECOMMEND NECESSARY STEPS TO
ESTABLISH SATELLITE PHOTO INTERPRETATION LABORATORY AND
EMPOWERED TO SIGN CONTRACT FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.
ALSO WANTS LIST AVAILABLE PHOTOS OF ALGERIA AND ADJACENT
AREAS TAKEN BY SATELLITE TOGETHER WITH PURCHASE INFORMATION.
USINT URGES PROMPT POSITIVE RESPONSE. END SUMMARY.

2. AFTER SEVERAL MONTHS OF SILENCE FROM HYDRAULICS MINISTRY
DESPITE USINT FOLLOWUPS, EMBOFF WAS CALLED TO MINISTRY
FEB. 26 ON SHORT NOTICE. MINISTER ARBAOUI ENTHUSIASTICALLY
STATED THAT HE HAS APPROVAL TO GO AHEAD WITH EARTH
SATELLITE PHOTO INTERPRETATION LABORATORY AND WANTS TO
CONTRACT ASAP WITH USGS TO PROVIDE NECESSARY TECHNICAL
ASSISTANCE. ARBAOUI EXPLICITLY WANTS TO CONTRACT FOR
ASSISTANCE ONLY WITH A USG AGENCY, ALTHOUGH OF COURSE
PRIVATE FIRMS AND/OR INSTITUTIONS COULD BE SUBCONTRACTORS.

3. IN NOVEMBER USINT HAD FORMALLY SUGGESTED, PER REFTELS A
AND C, THAT NEXT STEP WAS DEFINITION OF GOA NEEDS FOLLOWED
BY VISIT TO U.S. HOWEVER, IN FEB 26 MEETING MINISTER

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 ALGIER 00455 271637Z

WAS INSISTENT THAT ONLY USGS COULD DEFINE HIS MINISTRY'S

EXACT NEEDS, AND URGED THAT A USGS OFFICIAL CAPABLE OF DOING THIS AND EMPOWERED TO REACH AGREEMENT ON CONTRACT TERMS BE SENT IMMEDIATELY TO ALGIERS AT GOA EXPENSE. WHEN NAME OF OFFICIAL IS PROVIDED TO GOA IT WILL PURCHASE AIRLINE TICKET FOR HIM, AND HE WOULD BE GUEST OF MINISTRY DURING ENTIRE STAY.

4. HYDRAULICS MINISTRY ALSO WANTS ASAP LIST OF ALL AVAILABLE PHOTOS OF ALGERIA AND ADJACENT COUNTRIES TAKEN BY NASA SATELLITES, TOGETHER WITH PRICES FOR PRINTS, ENLARGEMENTS, AND NEGATIVES.

5. COMMENT THIS IS EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY FOR SELLING US TECHNOLOGY AND ESTABLISHING CLOSER RELATIONS WITH ELEMENT OF GOA. ARBAOUI HAS LONG BEEN PUSHING PHOTO INTERPRETATION LAB PROJECT AND APPARENTLY HAD SOME DIFFICULT GETTING GOA APPROVAL TO GO AHEAD WITH USG ON THIS. NOW THAT HE HAS IT, USINT URGES A PROMPT, POSITIVE RESPONSE.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: (A) USGS: DESIGNATE OFFICER REQUESTED IN PARA. 3, AND CABLE USINT NAME, ETA, AND PROPOSED ITINERARY SOONEST. (WE NOTE SEMINAR SCHEDULED FOR NAIROBI MARCH 21. PERHAPS PARTICIPANT THERE COULD BE DESIGNATED AND VISIT ALGIERS ON THE WAY THERE.) (B) NASA: PROVIDE PHOTO LIST AS REQUESTED PARA. 4. SUCH A LIST SHOULD PRECEDE OR ACCOMPANY USGS VISITING OFFICIAL.
EAGLETON

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, SATELLITES, PHOTOGRAPHY
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 27 FEB 1974
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: MorefiRH
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974ALGIER00455
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: n/a
From: ALGIERS
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t1974027/aaaaafzi.tel
Line Count: 89
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE
Office: ACTION INT
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: (A) STATE 174538, 8/31/73 (B) ALGIER, S 2319, 10/31/73
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: MorefiRH
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 13 AUG 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <13-Aug-2002 by elyme>; APPROVED <14-Aug-2002 by MorefiRH>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: REIMBURSABLE TECHNICAL SERVICES: SATELLITE PHOTO INTERPRETATION
TAGS: TGEN, EAID, AG, US
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005